

Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission, and all parties of record.

*Comment date:* March 6, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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#### [Project No. 11077-014]

#### **Alaska Power and Telephone Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment**

February 21, 1997.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA is for an application to amend the Goat Lake Hydroelectric Project. The application is to modify the project by extending the access road to the bottom of the Skagway River Valley, relocating the powerhouse to the west side of the river, extending the transmission line, realigning the penstock route, and deleting the 125-foot-long spillway and burying the siphon. The EA finds that approval of the application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Goat Lake Project is located on Pitchfork Falls, near the town of Skagway, Alaska.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA can be viewed in the Public Reference Branch, Room 1C-1, of

the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

For further information, please contact the project manager, Ms. Rebecca Martin, at (202) 219-2650.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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#### [Docket No. CP96-687-000]

#### **Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Athens Compressor Station Project**

February 21, 1997.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) that discusses the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the Athens Compressor Station Project in the above referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the project, with appropriate mitigating measures would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA addresses the construction and operation by Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. (Iroquois) of 9,500 horsepower of compression at the proposed Athens Compressor Station in Greene County, New York.

The purpose of the compressor station is to provide additional firm transportation capacity of up to 30 million cubic feet per day of natural gas to two shippers.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First St., NE., Room 2A-1, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, libraries, adjacent landowners, and parties to this proceeding. A limited number of additional copies are available from the above address.

Any party wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Written comments must be received by March 21, 1997, reference Docket No. CP96-687-000, and be addressed to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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#### [Docket No. 2299-037]

#### **Turlock Irrigation District and Modesto Irrigation District; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment**

February 21, 1997.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA is for an application for an amendment of license for the new Don Pedro Project. The amendment of license application concerns changes to project transmission lines, including the addition of a section of existing transmission line within the project boundary. The EA finds that approval of the application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The New Don Pedro Project is located in Tuolumne County, California.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA are available for review at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2-A, 888 First Street, NE. Washington, DC 20426. Copies can also be obtained by calling the project manager, Jon Cofrancesco at (202) 219-0079.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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